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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, we, Sean Lyndersay; Brian Deen; Alex Hopmann; and Joel Soderberg, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having post office addresses of, 3385 115th Avenue, NE, #211, Bellevue, WA 98004; 345 Ogle Place NE, North Bend, WA 98045; 1635 35th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122; and 13812 68th Avenue, West, Edmonds, WA 98026, respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "SELECTING A SERVER TO SERVICE CLIENT REQUESTS," as described and claimed in the specification forming part of an application for United States letters patent;

Said invention being disclosed in a United States patent application executed heretofore and now identified as File No. 13768.170 of the law firm of Workman, Nydegger & Seeley, 1000 Eagle Gate Tower, 60 East South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, and filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as Serial No. 09/680,120 on October 4, 2000.

WHEREAS, Microsoft Corporation (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA 98052, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letter patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues, and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty, or otherwise, said invention, application, and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer, and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefore.

Dated this 2 day of March, 2001.

Sean Lyndsay
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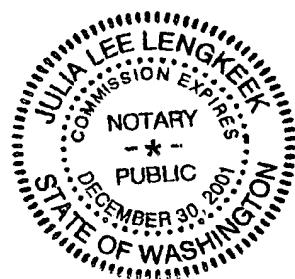
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Julia Lee Lengkeek
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Brian Deen
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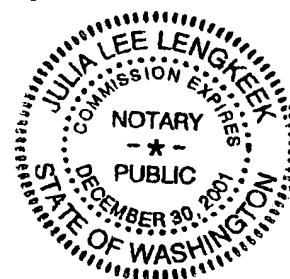
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